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## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1-2 as indicated.

1. (Currently amended) An improved <u>stable</u> liquid lip gloss composition, consisting essentially of::

at least one lower alkyl ester of a fatty acid having 12 to 18 carbon atoms, wherein said alkyl ester is a liquid at 25°C;

an effective amount of a bodying agent having a solubility in said alkyl ester of at least 1 percent by weight at 25°C, said bodying agent at least partially soluble in said alkyl ester;

an effective amount of at least one odorant from 0.0002% through 2% capable of imparting an odor to said composition;

an effective amount of at least one flavorant from 0.0002% through 2% capable of imparting a flavor to said composition;

at least one colorant dispersed in said composition capable of imparting a color to said composition

and

additionally including at least one of a polyhydric alcohol, a preservative and an antioxidant.

2. (Currently amended) An improved <u>stable</u> liquid lip gloss composition consisting essentially of

at least one lower alkyl ester of a fatty acid having 12 to 18 carbon atoms, wherein said alkyl ester is a liquid at 25°C;

an effective amount of a bodying agent of at least 1 percent by weight, said bodying agent having a solubility in said alkyl ester of at least 1 percent by weight at 25°C and at least partially soluble in said alkyl ester;

at least one odorant from 0.0002% through 2% dispersed in said composition capable of imparting an odor to said composition;

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at least one flavorant from 0.0002% through 2% dispersed in said composition and capable of imparting a <del>color</del> flavor to said composition; and

at least one colorant dispersed in said composition.

- 3. (Withdrawn) A method of coloring lips, said method comprising the steps of applying to a lip an effective amount of a lip gloss necessary for a user to detect odor, flavor and color of said lip gloss.
- 4. (Withdrawn) A method of producing an improved lip gloss composition, said method comprising the steps of::

providing at least one alkyl ester of a fatty acid;

combining an effective amount of bodying agent with said alkyl ester, said bodying agent at least partially soluble in said alkyl ester;

adding at least one odorant to said composition; adding at least one flavorant to said composition; and adding at least one colorant to said composition.

- 5. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein said alkyl ester is selected from the group consisting of isopropyl myristate and isopropyl palmitate.
- 6. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein said bodying agent is selected from the group consisting of ozokerite wax, petrolatum, and polybutene.

Claims 7-10: (Cancelled)

- 11. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the concentration of said alkyl ester is in the range of 25 to 65 grams per 100 grams of composition.
- 12. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the concentration of said bodying agent is in the range of 15 to 35 grams per 100 grams of composition.

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13. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the concentration of said colorant is in the range of 0.0005 to 0.5 grams per 100 grams of composition.

- 14. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the concentration of said flavorant is in the range of 0.0005 to 0.5 grams per 100 grams of composition.
- 15. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the concentration of said colorant is in the range of 0.001 to 1 grams per 100 grams of composition.
- 16. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein said odorant and said flavorant are identical.
- 17. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein said odorant and said flavorant are different.